ated workmen without replacement after payment of full terminal benefit and implementation of Voluntary Retirement scheme after negotiations with the concerned plant level Trade Unions.

[*English*]

Rehabilitation of Sick Industrial units by BIFR

4875. DR. G.L. KANAUJIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the units which have been rendered assistance by the Board for industrial and Financial Reconstruction as a part of rehabilitation package during each of the last three years; and

(b) the results achieved as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b). Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) has reported that the concessions/assistance for rehabilitation/revival of sick industrial companies are extended by banks, financial institutions, Central and State Governments etc. The BIFR brings together all the concerned agencies, determines the long term viability and accords approval for the company's proposals under section 17 (2) of Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 or sanctions a rehabilitation scheme under section 18 (4) of the Act. BIFR has reported that it approved/sanctioned 39, 81 and 129 cases in the years 1988,1989 and 1990 respectively.

Enquiry against Big Companies and Industrial Houses having 100 percent Export Licences

4876. SHRI SRIKANTA JENA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have conducted any enquiry against big companies and industrial houses who have been given licences for 100 percent export of their products but instead of exporting they are selling their products in the internal market on the plea that these are rejected itmes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government against such companies/industrial houses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c). The Industrial units set up under th 100% Export Oriented Scheme are allowed to sell their products in the domestic tarrif area to the extent of 5% as rejects after paying all applicable duties. Government also allows higher percentage of rejects keeping in view the technical parameters of specific industries.

All such domestic sales are effected under the supervision and control of custom authorities.

[*Translation*]

Conditions of Delhi to Lucknow and Purnea to Patna stretches of National Highways

4877. DR. S.P. YADAV: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the stretches of National Highways from Delhi to Lucknow and Purnea to patna are not in a traffic worthy condition; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to improve the condition of the aforesaid stretches?